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Five reports concerning the port of Omega and the sighting of naval vessels 18 APR 1958

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Subject

- 1 Sighting of two SKORYY-class destroyers, and four submarines
- 2 outside Kolsky Zaliv; construction of a new woodpulp factory in Omega.
- 3 Port congestion at Omega.
- 4 Port installations in Omega.
- 5 Sighting of an unidentified naval vessel and submarine and one tanker, and new construction work in Omega
- 6 Sighting of four unidentified "guard" vessels and one submarine near Mys Svyatoy Nos; dredging activity in Omega.

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[redacted] in the vicinity of a position N 69°25' - O 35°25' a naval vessel was observed steering a westerly course at a speed of 20 to 30 knots.

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Description: [redacted] length about 350 ft., double turret, bridge, step down from fore-castle, mast bearing various arials, funnel, torpedo tube, small mast on the deckhouse, funnel, torpedo tube, turret.
See sketch.

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At the same time and position a submarine was seen. The only detail noted was an "Arm" on the rear of the tower.
See sketch.

2. MERCHANT VESSEL.

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[redacted] a small tank boat was seen inward bound outside SOSNOVETS ISLAND.
[redacted] no name visible, about 2-3000 ton d.w. The ship was loaded.

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The entrance to ONEGA is being dredged and the draught allowed this year is 15ft. compared with 15' 6" last year. [REDACTED] the entrance is to be dredged to the same depth as last year. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the dredger was working by the second light buoy at the entrance.

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There is apparently no shortage [REDACTED] this year. Six gangs were working continually on the quay, each gang comprising 6 men and 2 [REDACTED] women.

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There are two new buildings, or two buildings have possibly been enlarged, at the sawmill. One is a large concrete building, the other a sorting house that has been lengthened by 10-15 meters.

Last Autumn the enclosure round the sawmill was enlarged but one could still use the old road up from the quay. This year the road is blocked and one must now go round the entire enclosure to get to the built up area.

[REDACTED] 25000 standards of timber are sawn in MEZEN annually.

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[redacted] four small guard
ships were seen in the vicinity of a position
4 miles north of SVIATOI NOS.

Description:

Small boats with a step in the deckline amidships.
Box shaped bridge, mast and one funnel.

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At the same place a submarine was seen in what
appeared to be an exercise with a twin-engined
sea-plane. The submarine was too far away to take
any description. The plane was very much like a
"Catalina".

2. ONEGA.

A dredger was in the channel [redacted]

[redacted] The channel was in such a condition that
a vessel went out with a draught of 15' 9".

[redacted] the dredger was
to be hauled up to the quay to dredge there as
the quay was to be lengthened.

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about eight to ten vessels are delayed at the port of Omega because
of overloaded facilities. Only two vessels can be loaded weekly.

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The quay is being enlarged and will presumably be able to accomodate 6 timber vessels as against 4

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[redacted] a dredger was lying on the bar at the entrance to the harbour. [redacted] it had moved into the quay and was dredging there. [redacted] the greatest drought was 14 ft. [redacted] 15'7" was allowed.

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5. SAWMILL.

It is said (BY KOKUREV) that the two sawmills further up the river shall be discontinued and that instead two new ones will be built near the timber quay. This is to eliminate the loading of timber onto barges.

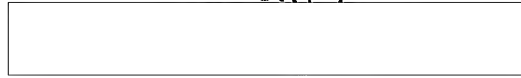
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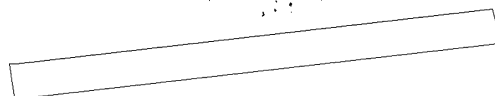
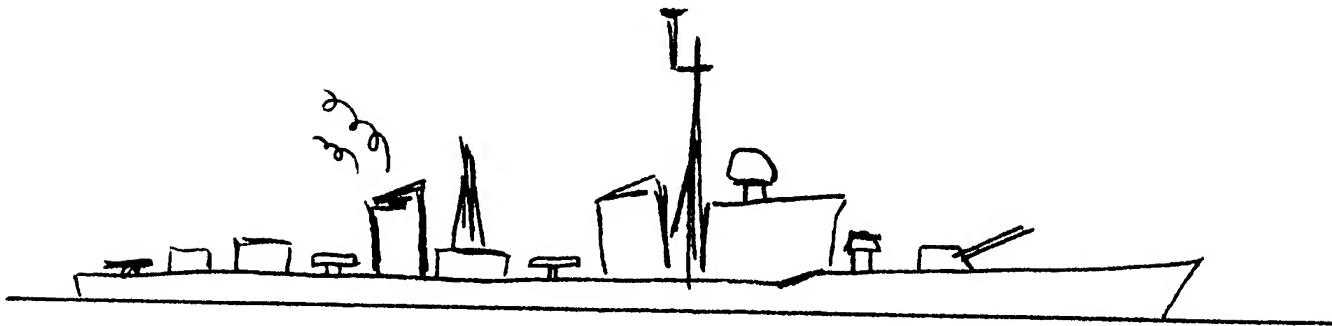
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1. NAVAL.

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[redacted] 2 destroyers and 4 submarines were observed outside the KOLA INLET. One of the destroyers was towing a target.

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Description of destroyers: Both similar, [redacted] one, possibly two guns in a shield on the forecastle, bridge, mast, step to the main deck, 2 funnels with torpedo tubes aft of each funnel, deck-house with one gun on top and one astern. See sketch.

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Description of submarines: Only [redacted] was noted, the others were too far away. The vessels were small with clear decks and stramlined towers without platforms.

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2. ONEGA

There is a new building in ONEGA which [redacted] looks like a woodpulp factory. There were some objects outside which could have been machinery. The road from the quay has been altered so that it is now impossible to get near to the building.

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